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THE MARKS OF MODERNISM

II Tim. 4:1-5*

INT:

MODERNISM: Webster-"A ^{movement} ~~Moment~~ in Protestant Christianity that seeks to establish the MEANING and VALIDITY of the Christian faith for ^{from 19} present human experience."
SAD: this religious fad infiltrated the church too.
GLAD: Paul told us such would repeat itself and what to do to prevent it injuring the church too much.

- I. PAUL'S CHARGE TO TIMOTHY. Safeguard against Modernism.
1. Charge: Gr. "to testify through and through." "bear a solemn witness." "to teach earnestly."
 2. (BEFORE) God & Jesus Christ: These are my witnesses to the importance of what I am telling you. Ask them!!!
 3. Appearing & Kingdom: Ties 2nd Coming to Judgment. John 5:22. I will give account then. You will too.
 4. Preach: Church will survive all events; gospel message will be proclaimed to some to the very end. I Cor. 1:18-21.* Invite and encourage young men!!
 5. Word: Earlier: II Tim. 2:15, 3:16-17. Gal. 1:8-9. John 12:48.
 6. (URGENT) INSTANT: "to stand by", "be at hand", "come on" ^{by}.
 7. IN SEASON: "at all seasons." "all the time." A.V.
 8. OUT OF SEASON: Life sometimes HARD, sometimes EASY. Christian likely to be in greater danger in "easy" periods-like now. Takes Christ for granted!
~~("whether the time is right or not!" Russia? China?)~~
 9. (CONVINCES) REPROVE: to discover, expose and convict. II T.2:24.
 10. (REPROACHES) REBUKE: to set a weight upon. Create a feeling of guilt in the sinful. Weigh down with concern.
 11. (CONTRASTS) EXHORT: to call one near; to call one to pursue a certain course of action. Nearer to Jesus.
 12. LONGSUFFERING: long-tempered; self-restrained in the face of provocation; does not hastily retaliate nor promptly punish. ^{Patience}.
 13. DOCTRINE: World tired of "doctrine". ???? Means: Christ's teachings. Gospel. Good News! Tired??? Cont. Vs. 3-5 briefly.

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II. MARKS OF MODERNISM. (Beaumont Elder called for marks.)

1. A break with the past. (all old is bad-ineffectual.)
Ecc. 1:9.

a. Despise (look down on) parents & grandparents.

Ill. Barbara W. Grandpa doesn't know anything!

b. Old Paths and Pioneers greatly inadequate. Ignorant!

4 steps to salvation. 5 steps to worship.

Saved by a plan. Facts to be believed, commands to be obeyed. Needs scrapping and replaced by US.

2. Usually a hyper-intellectual. Exalting human wisdom.

a. Ill. Abe Malherbe. "Going to America to show those ignorant Christians over there a thing or two."

Left our college: "There is no one here with the intellectual capacity to benefit from what I offer."

3. II Tim. 3:7. Ever learning, never arriving at any conclusions. Ill. Barbara. Special sessions.

Over and over. Ill. Milton Stolz, 2-three hour sessions. Over and over. Rejected old.

Learned absolutely nothing from past.

(Parents, ACC, Southside, Preston Road etc.)

4. Searching for what doesn't exist. Ill. The HOW of the indwelling of the H. S.

5. Claim special leadings: Ill. Super-Piety.

Milton raised the dead. Mayfair Assembly of God.

Bill Jackson spoke in tongues. Ahead of the pack.

Dixie Hurd had direct conversation with God.

Barbara: candle light, swooning, long-jibberish prayers etc.

6. Downgrade the older translations and also the use of scripture-quoting-proof in preaching.

a. Ill. CCS Bible teacher: "Anyone using KJ in this class automatically failed." Fired!

7. Relegate the Bible to history and past-philosophy, rather than PRESENT, LIVING, GUIDING standard of religious faith and practice.

INV: Tonight: Point you to simple gospel of Christ. Mk. 16:15-

Simple return to spr. duty. Acts 8:22.

16.

Invite you to identify with us.